# The Alameda Corridor Project

# Alameda Corridor Program Who/What is it?

- California JPA Created by Los Angeles and Long Beach
- 20 Miles of Double Mainline Track for Use by Transcontinental Railroads
- 16 Grade Separations
- Trench Section North of Route 91 Fwy
- Improvements to Alameda Street

#### Overview of Project Highway Rejuvenation

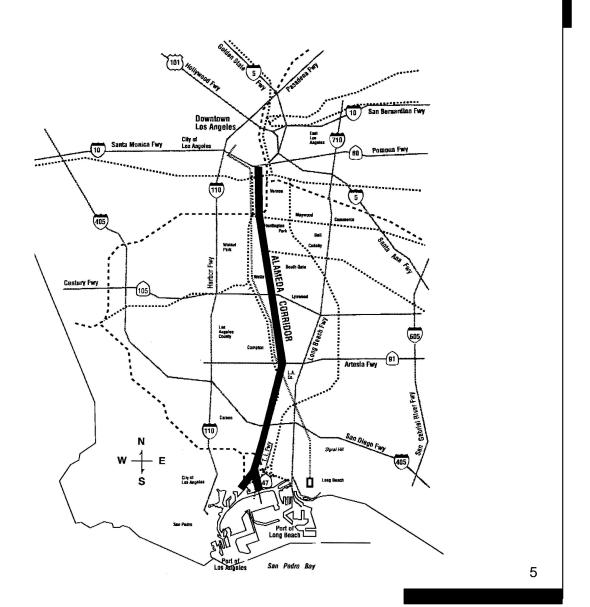
- Reconstruction of Alameda Street from Interstate 10
   South to State Route 91
- Widening of Alameda Street from 4 to 6 Lanes South of Route 91 to Ports Complex
- Enhanced Signalization and Left Turn Pockets Improve Traffic Flow
- Makes Use of Existing Right-Of-Way

#### Overview of Project Consolidation of Rail Traffic

- 1 Main Route Replaces 3 Lines
- Eliminates 200 At Grade Intersections with Surface Streets
- High Speed Double Track Main Line with Centralized Control
- Depressed Railway Trench for State Route 91 North to Los Angeles
- East-West Street Overpasses South of State Route 91

#### **Alameda Corridor**

Railroads
Burlington Northern Santa Fe R/R
Union Pacific R/R
Blue Line



# **Estimated Sources of Funds** (in Millions)

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(in Millions)	Grants	Loans
• Ports	\$394	
• MTA	347	
• Interest Income and C	Other	
State/Federal Source	es 123	
• U.S. DOT Loan		\$400
• Bonds: Sr Tax Exer	npt	494
Sr Taxable		500
Subordinate		167_
Total	<u>\$864</u>	<u>\$1,561</u> 6

#### How are Loans/Debt Repaid?

- Project Financing No General Pledge of Any Entity
- Corridor Use Fees and Container Charges Paid by Railroads

Containers: -Loaded \$30.00

-Empty \$8.00

Other Loaded Rail Cars: \$8.00

- Shortfall Advances Paid by Ports If Use Fees and Container Charges Not Sufficient
- Up to 40% of Debt Service On:
  - Revenue Bonds
  - Federal Loan
- POLA/POLB Do Not Pay or Guarantee ACTA's Debt

#### \$400 Million DOT Funding Subordinate Loan

• Structure Taxable Amortizing

• Term 30 Years

• Rate 10-Year Treasury Bond for 5 years

converting to 30-year Treasury Bond

• Guarantees None by Cities or Ports

• Use of Proceeds General Design, Engineering,

Construction or ACTA Administration

• Draw Dates \$140 Million FFY 97- 9/97

\$140 Million FFY 98 - 9/98

\$120 Million FFY 99

• Source of Payment ACTA Rail Use Fee and Port

Payments to ACTA

#### Comparison

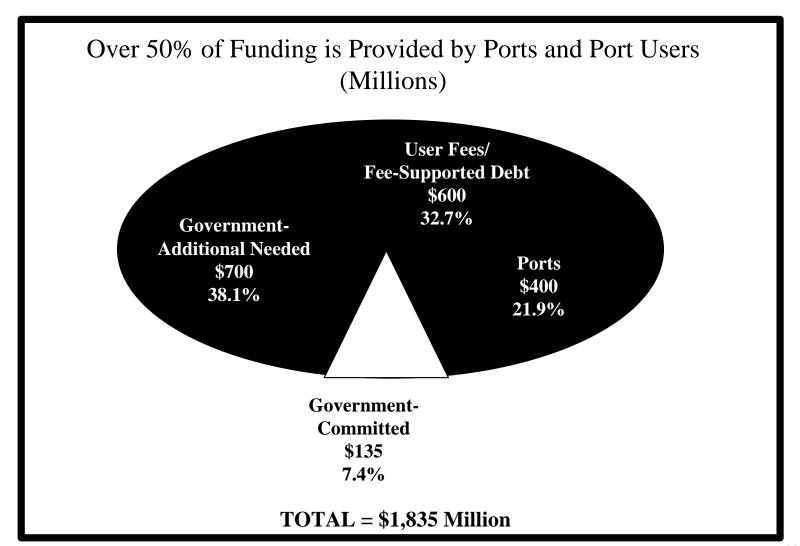
## <u>TIFIA</u>

- Submit Project Description
- Submit Application
- Evaluation & Presentation
- Ranking & Recommendation

# **ACTA Experiences**

- Discussion of Project
- Create "Application"
- Evaluation & Presentation
- Grant is Spelled "L-O-A-N"

#### **Distribution of Sources**



#### Comparison

#### **TIFIA**

- Selection & Negotiate Terms
- Ratify Term Sheet Obligate Funds

- Formal Credit Agreement
- DOT Disburses Funds

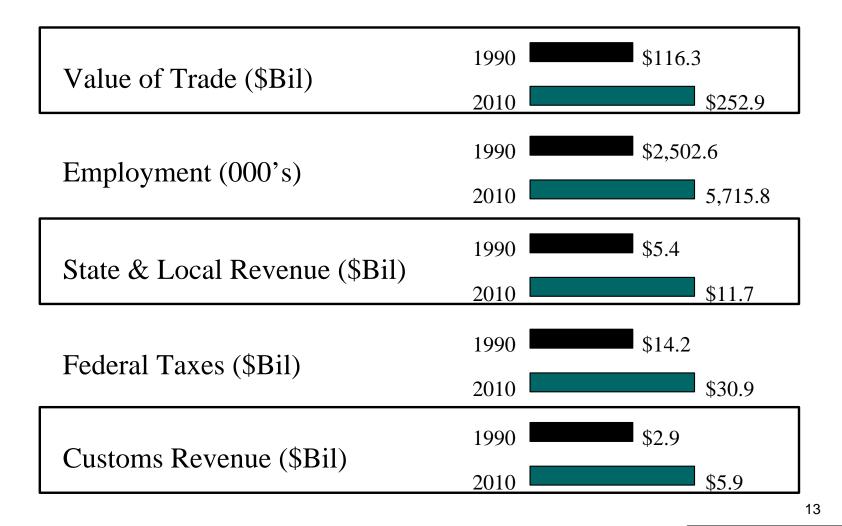
## **ACTA Experiences**

- DOT Recommends Strategy to Amend Sec. 1132 of ISTEA
- Negotiate Term Sheet & Structure
- OMB Scoring
- Congressional Effort of Fund Scoring Requirement
- Formal Loan Agreement
- DOT Disburses Funds

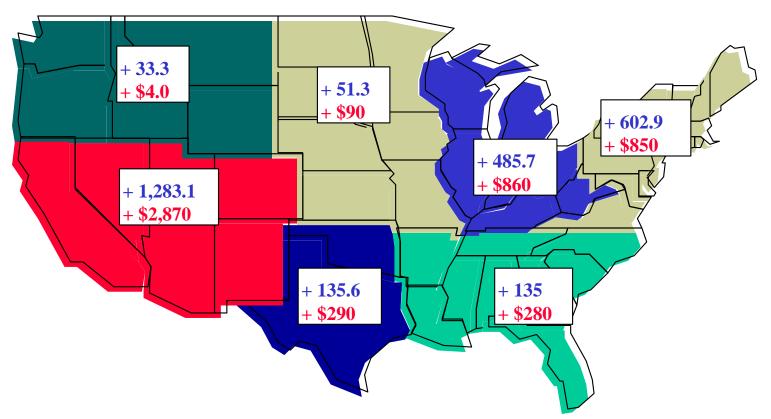
#### **National Impact/Local Coalition**

- ACTA A National Priority
- State by State Impacts
- Regional/Local Benefits
  - Traffic
  - Safety
  - Environmental
  - Economics

### National Impacts of Trade San Pedro Bay Ports



#### National Impacts of Trade in San Pedro Ports Growth in Employment and Revenues by Region 1990 to 2010



- **= Employment in Thousands**
- = State & Local Revenue in Millions

#### The ACTA Team

- Gill Hicks & Port Staff to 1997
- Small Staff & Consultants 1997 Forward
- Engineering Support RFP DMJM/M&N
- Financial Support
  - -RFP 9 Responses No Fee
  - -PaineWebber / Goldman Sachs

#### **Preliminary Ratings - 1996**

- ACTA Asked for 3 Ratings and Got 2
- Ratings Prepared by Credit Professionals Outside and Independent of Political Influence
- Information/Communication Vital to Success
- Documents
  - -Rail MOU
  - -Purchase Agreements
  - -DOT Loan Term Sheet
  - -Comprehensive Financial Model
- Rating Letters will be Qualified

### **DOT Package**

- Plan of Finance
- Financial Model
- Application for Federal Funds
- Econometric Price Sensitivity
- Brochures

#### **Lessons Along the Way**

- OMB Scoring
  - -ACTA Did Not Understand OMB
  - -OMB Did Not Understand ACTA
  - -DOT Was the Mediator
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#### **Stimulants to Success**

- Project of Substance
  - -Railroads Pay Real \$ for Real Benefits
- POLA/POLB Cash Commitment \$400 Million
- Political Coalition
  - Local
  - Regional
  - National
- Real Benefits Result in Comprehensive Commitment